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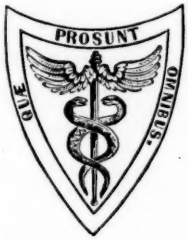

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The medical press of our country has been unusually prolific of original works during the past quarter, and several of them are of so important a character as to demand an early and full notice; we have accordingly considerably extended the review department of this number, and shall always do so whenever circumstances seem to call for it. No specific number of pages is assigned to the different departments, but the space accorded to each is regulated by the importance of the matter which is presented.

In our preceding number we inserted a paper "On the Treatment of Delirium Tremens by Chloroform, by W. R. Richardson, M. D., late Assistant Physician in the Hospital, Blackwell Island, New York City." This paper was transmitted to us through a channel which seemed to us to warrant our confidence in its statements.

Since its publication we have received a long paper, entitled "A Reply to Dr. Richardson on Delirium Tremens, by J. W. Barstow, M. D., Resident Physician of Sanford Hall Asylum, Flushing, L. I., and late Assistant Physician of the Penitentiary Hospital, Blackwell's Island, New York City," the tone and language of which, we regret to say, preclude its publication in this journal.

It is sufficient to state that Dr. Barstow represents that he was a member of the late Dr. Wm. Kelly's Medical Staff during fourteen months of his residency in the Penitentiary Hospital; that for four months he had charge of the delirium tremens wards (male) under Dr. K.'s direction; that the cases which Dr. Chamberlain reported, all occurred during his (Dr. Barstow's) term of service on the island; that with most of them he was familiar, and of one or two he had, at times, personally, the charge; and he avers that Dr. Richardson's statements conflict with his experience of the facts.

Justice requires that we should make this statement, and having done so we must decline further discussion of the issue here involved.

The following works have been received:—

Medico-Chirurgical Transactions. Published by the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society of London. Second Series. Volume the twenty-first. London: Longman, Brown, Green & Longmans, Paternoster Row, 1856. (From the Society.)

On Diseases of the Vesiculæ Seminales and their Associated Organs, with special reference to the Morbid Secretion of the Prostatic and Urethral Mucous Membrane. By Marris Wilson, M. D. London: Printed for the Author by Tallant & Allen, 1856. (From the Author.)

On Cystic Entozoa in the Human Kidney. With an Illustrative Case. By T. Herbert Barker, M. D., F. R. C. S., etc. London: Hamilton, Adams & Co. Bedford: J. G. Nall, 1856. (From the Author.)

Unique Congenital Malformation Associated with Umbilical Hernia, and a Pendulous Artificial Anus. An Ovarian Tumour, weighing 160 pounds, with Great Elongation of the Cervix Uteri and Vagina. And other contributions to the Seventh Volume of the Transactions of the Pathological Society of London. By Geo. D. Gibb, M. D., F. G. S., &c. &c. London, 1856. (From the Author.)

Obstetrics: the Science and the Art. By CHARLES D. MEIGS, M. D., Professor of Midwifery and the Diseases of Women and Children in Jefferson Medical College, Phila., &c. &c. &c. Philadelphia: Blanchard & Lea, 1856. (From the Publishers.)

The History, Diagnosis, and Treatment of the Fevers of the United States. By ELISHA BARTLETT, M. D., late Professor of Materia Medica and Medical Jurisprudence in the College of Physicians and Surgeons of the University of the State of New York, etc. etc. Fourth edition. Revised by A. CLARK, M. D., etc. Philadelphia: Blanchard & Lea, 1856. (From the Publishers.)

The Practical Anatomist: or, the Student's Guide in the Dissecting-Room. By J. M. ALLEN, M. D., late Professor of Anatomy in the Medical Department of Pennsylvania College, &c. &c. With 266 illustrations. Philadelphia: Blanchard & Lea, 1856. (From the Publishers.)

Medical Notes and Reflections. By Sir HENRY HOLLAND, Bart., M. D., F. R. S., etc. etc., Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, Physician in Ordinary to the Queen, and Physician in Ordinary to His Royal Highness, Prince Albert. From the third London edition. Philadelphia: Blanchard & Lea, 1857. (From the Publishers.)

An Introduction to Practical Chemistry, including Analysis. By JOHN E. BOWMAN, F. C. S., &c. Second American from the second and revised London edition. Philadelphia: Blanchard & Lea, 1856. (From the Publishers.)

Lectures on the Principles and Methods of Medical Observation and Research. For the use of Advanced Students and Junior Practitioners. By Thomas Laycock, M. D., F. R. S. E., Professor of Practical and Clinical Medicine in the University of Edinburgh, &c. Philadelphia: Blanchard & Lea, 1857. (From the Publishers.)

On the Constitutional Treatment of Female Diseases. By Edward Rigby, M. D., Senior Physician to the General Lying-in Hospital, &c. Philadelphia: Blanchard & Lea, 1857. (From the Publishers.)

A Treatise on the Practice of Surgery. By HENRY H. SMITH, M. D., Professor of the Principles and Practice of Surgery in the University of Pennsylvania, Consulting-Surgeon to the St. Joseph's Hospital, etc. Illustrated by two hundred and seventy-four engravings on wood. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1856. (From the Publishers.)

Practical Anatomy. A new arrangement of the London Dissector, with numerous modifications and additions, containing a concise description of the Muscles, Bloodvessels, Nerves, Viscera, and Ligaments of the Human Body, as they appear on Dissection. With illustrations. By D. HAYES AGNEW, M. D., Lecturer on Anatomy and Surgeon to the Philadelphia Hospital (Blockley). Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1856. (From the Publishers.)

A Guide to the Diseases of the Eye and their Treatment, for the Use of Students and Young Practitioners. By Dr. F. A. VON MOSCHZISKER, Oculist and Aurist, author of "Spectacles, Why and When to Use Them," etc. Baltimore: Cushings & Bailey, 1856. (From the Publishers.)

The Transactions of the American Medical Association. Instituted 1847. Vol. IX. Philadelphia: Printed for the Association by T. K. & P. G. Collins, 1856.

The Transactions of the New Hampshire Medical Society. Held at Concord, June 3 and 4, 1857. Concord, 1856. (From Dr. Geo. H. Hubbard.)

The History and Statistics of Ovariotomy, and the Circumstances under which the Operation may be regarded as Safe and Expedient. Being a Dissertation to which the Prize of the Massachusetts Medical Society was awarded, May, 1856. By GEORGE H. LYMAN, M. D. Boston: Printed by John Wilson & Son, 1856. (From the Author.)

The Sunburnt Appearance of the Skin as an Early Diagnostic Symptom of Supra-Renal Capsule Disease. By ISAAC E. TAYLOR, M. D., Physician to Bellevue Hospital, N. Y. With coloured illustrations. New York, 1856. (From the Author.)

Washington on Assimilation, Consumption, and Scrofula. Louisville, 1856. (From the Author.)

Address Delivered at the Laying of the Corner-Stone of the Insane Hospital at Northampton, Mass. By EDWARD JARVIS, M. D. Northampton, 1856. (From the Author.)

The Unity of Medicine. An Introductory to the Course of Theory and Practice of Medicine in the Medical Department of Pennsylvania College. Delivered October 14, 1850. By ALFRED STILLÉ, M. D. Published by the Class. Philadelphia, 1856. (From the Author.)

The Relation of Drugs to Treatment. An Introductory Lecture before the Medical Class of 1856–57, of Harvard University. By EDWARD H. CLARK, M. D., Professor of Materia Medica. Boston, 1856. (From the Author.)

The Relations of the Medical to the Legal Profession; being the Introductory Address delivered at the Opening of the Fifty-first Session of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York, October 20, 1856. By CHANDLER R. GILMAN, M. D., Professor of Obstetrics and of Medical Jurisprudence. Published by request of the Class. New York, 1856. (From the Author.)

The following Journals have been received in exchange:—

Moniteur des Hopitaux. Redacteur en chef, M. H. DE CASTILNAU. September, October, November, 1856.

Revue de Thérapeutique Médico-Chirurgicale. Par A. MARTIN-LAUZER. September, October, November, 1856.

Gazette Médicale de Paris. September, October, November, 1856.

Revue Etrangère Médico-Chirurgicale. October, 1856.

Journal de Médecine de Bordeaux. Redacteur en chef, M. COSTES. October, November, 1856.

Annales Médico-Psychologiques. Par MM. les Docteurs BAILLARGER, CERISE et MOREAU (de Tours). October, 1856.

Oesterreichische Zeitschrift für Practische Heilkunde. Herausgegeben von Doctoren Collegium der Medicinischen Facultæt in Wien. Redigirt von J. J. KNORZ, M. D., &c. &c., und GEORG PREYSS, M. D., &c. &c. 11 Jahrgang. 1 Quartal. Wien, 1856.

Association Medical Journal. Edited by ANDREW WYNTER, M. D. September, October, November, 1856.

The British and Foreign Medico-Chirurgical Review. Oct., 1856.

Edinburgh Medical Journal. September, October, November, 1856.

The Journal of Psychological Medicine and Mental Pathology. Edited by FORBES WINSLOW, M. D., &c. Oct., 1856.

The Dublin Hospital Gazette. September, October, November, 1856.

Medical Times and Gazette. September, October, November, 1856.

Dublin Medical Press. September, October, November, 1856.

The Journal of Public Health and Sanitary Review, including the Transactions of the Epidemiological Society of London. Edited by BENJAMIN W. RICHARDSON, M. D. Oct., 1856.

The Glasgow Medical Journal. Oct., 1856.

Edinburgh New Philosophical Journal. Editors, T. ANDERSON, M. D., SIR WM. JARDINE, Bart., J. H. BALFOUR, M. D.; for America, H. D. ROGERS, F. R. S. E., etc. October, 1856.

The Dublin Quarterly Journal of Medical Sciences. Nov., 1856.

The Medical Chronicle, or Montreal Monthly Journal of Medicine and Surgery. Edited by Drs. WRIGHT and MACCALLUM. October, November, December, 1856.

The Medical Examiner. Edited by SAMUEL L. HOLLINGSWORTH, M. D. October, November December, 1856.

The New York Journal of Medicine. Edited by Drs. PURPLE, SMITH, and BULKLEY. September, November, 1856.

The Medical Independent. Edited by Drs. GOADBY, KANE, and ROBINSON. September, 1856.

The American Medical Gazette. Edited by D. M. REESE, M. D. October, November, December, 1856.

Buffalo Medical Journal. Edited by SANFORD B. HUNT, M. D. October, November, December, 1856.

Southern Medical and Surgical Journal. Edited by L. A. DUGAS, M. D., and HENRY ROSSIGNOL, M. D. October, November, December, 1856.

Virginia Medical Journal. Edited by Drs. McCAW and OTIS. October, November, December, 1856.

The Cincinnati Medical Observer. Edited by Drs. MENDENHALL, MURPHEY, and STEVENS. October, November, December, 1856.

The Medical and Surgical Reporter. Edited by S. W. BUTLER, M. D. October, December, 1856.

The American Medical Monthly. Edited by E. H. PARKER, M. D. September, October, December, 1856.

Memphis Medical Recorder. Edited by A. P. MERRILL, M. D. September, November, 1856.

The New Hampshire Journal of Medicine. Edited by G. H. HUBBARD, M. D., and N. E. GAGE, M. D. October, November, December, 1856.

The Peninsular Journal of Medicine. Edited by Drs. PITCHER, PALMER, BRODIE, and CHRISTIAN. October, November, 1856.

The American Journal of Dental Science. Edited by C. A. HARRIS, M. D., D. D. S., and A. S. PIGGOT, M. D. October, 1856.

American Journal of Pharmacy. Edited by WM. PROCTER, Jr. November, 1856.

Charleston Medical Journal and Review. Edited by C. HAPPOLDT, M. D. November, 1856.

The American Journal of Science and Arts. Edited by Professors B. SILLIMAN, B. SILLIMAN, Jr., and J. D. DANA. November, 1856.

The Monthly Stethoscope and Medical Reporter. Edited by G. A. WILSON, M. D., and R. A. LEWIS, M. D. November, December, 1856.

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Atlanta Medical and Surgical Journal. Edited by Drs. LOGAN and WESTMORELAND. November, December, 1856.

The Ohio Medical and Surgical Journal. Edited by JOHN DAWSON, M. D., and R. GUNDRY, M. D. November, 1856.

Boston Medical and Surgical Journal. Edited W. W. MORLAND and FRANCIS MINOT, M. D. October, November, December, 1856.

The Louisville Review. Edited by S. D. GROSS, M. D., and T. G. RICHARDSON, M. D. November, 1856.

Iowa Medical Journal. Edited by D. L. MCGUGIN, M. D., and J. R. ALLEN, M. D. July, August, 1856.

Nashville Journal of Medicine and Surgery. Edited by W. K. BOWLING, M. D., and PAUL F. EVE, M. D. November, 1856.

The Northwestern Medical and Surgical Journal. Edited by N. S. DAVIS, M. D., and H. A. JOHNSON, M. D. October, November, 1856.

The New Orleans Medical and Surgical Journal. Edited by BENNET DOWLER, M. D. November, 1856.

New Orleans Medical News and Hospital Gazette. Edited by Drs. CHOPPIN, BEARD, and BRICKELL, November, December, 1856.

St. Louis Medical and Surgical Journal. Edited by Drs. M. L. LINTON and W. M. MCPHEETERS. November, 1856.

The Western Lancet. Edited by T. WOOD, M. D., and G. C. BLACKMAN, M. D. December, 1856.

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